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To Examiner, Ahmed Anwar,

Thank you for the office action of 3 April 07.

Enclosed are amended claims: 53, 55, 56, 57, 64, 67, and new claim 86.

The claim listing is as follows.

Claims 1-52 (cancelled)

Claim 53 (currently amended)

Claim 54 (previously presented)

Claims 55-57 (currently amended)

Claims 58-63 (previously presented)

Claim 64 (currently amended)

Claims 65-66 (previously presented)

Claim 67 (currently amended)

Claims 68-85 (previously presented)

Claim 86 (new)

I will respond referring to your numbering.

1. Claiming claim 67 as independent is an option for a patent of continuation.

2-3.

Luminosity compression may be applied to varying degrees.

The degree of application is elected as is disclosed in the application.

See (0130) Luminosity compression...that reduces both brightness and contrast...A reduction by 20% is required. A reduction by 50%...is generally optimal...

(0131) Luminosity compression...via control of RGB levels output... On a scale of 0-255...a reduction...from 255 to 210 is required. A reduction down to 160 is generally optimal.

Claims 55 and 57 have been amended to remove the term 'nth degree'

4-7.

Claim 53 has been amended to to omit 'the process of' and 'may be' and to distinctly claim subject matter. New dependant claim 86 now claims the feature.

"from within color channel allocations effected below" refers to the color channel allocations of the next step in the claim.

See specification as filed, (0138) (0139) page 42.

"Color washing...the image to be viewed through red gel (allocating)...contrasts within a...red channel"

Claim 58 claims 'images' that are produced as claimed in claim 1.

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